

## VETERANS ATTEND ANNUAL SERVICE

Sermon Before Hollywood Memorial Association Preached at Second Baptist Church.

## CELEBRATION OF CENTENNIAL

In view of the celebration on Wednesday of the centennial of the birth of President Jefferson Davis, memorial exercises in Hollywood, usually held on May 30th, were postponed to that date, and will follow the ceremonies at the Davis Monument. Last night the annual service before the Hollywood Association was delivered by the Rev. W. R. L. Smith, D. D., in the Second Baptist Church, a large gathering of Confederate and military organizations being present.

The exercises in Richmond in celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Mr. Davis will begin at 1 P. M. with a memorial service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where the Rev. W. M. Dame, D. D., of Baltimore, will be the principal speaker.

Forming in parade immediately after the church service, the military of the city, including the Seventeenth Regiment, the Blues and the Howitzers, with bands and music, the two Confederate camps of the city, and several visiting camps, with the ladies of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association, and of the Hollywood Memorial Association, will move to the monument, which will be formally turned over to the city of Richmond.

Reforming the parade, the march will be taken to Hollywood Cemetery, where the usual Memorial Day exercises will be held.

**Annual Sermon.**  
Ladies of the Hollywood Association and members of Lee and Pickett Camps were present in large numbers at the church last night. Special interest was added to the occasion by the presence of the full battery of the Richmond Howitzers, 12 strong, under command of Captain William M. Myers. In the pulpit with Dr. Smith were the Rev. J. William Jones, D. D., and the Rev. James P. Smith, D. D. The music, which was made an appropriate part of the service, included a solo by Mrs. Maude Porter, and an anthem by the quartet choir.

Dr. Smith spoke on "Christian Charity," the idea running through his address being that the service of God was synonymous with the service of man. Praising the work done by the Hollywood Association in keeping green the memory of the fallen and assisting to care for the old and feeble still living, Dr. Smith declared that practical Christianity and true charity is that which works for the real betterment of the world, and that the idea that the kingdom of God is only a spiritual necessity, the speaker held that religion is a practical and physical need.

"Not by preaching alone is the kingdom to be spread," Dr. Smith made it plain to the poor better before they are in condition to hear the preached word. Some settlement workers think they should not preach, lest some take offense.

"This is as much a mistake as it is to preach to the poor without ministering to their necessities. The work should be a dual one, relieving both the physical and the spiritual needs. Christ, in His ministry, did not teach the separation of the spiritual and the physical. He joined them in His work. We cannot neglect one and do great good to the other."

Dr. Smith illustrated his point from the work of missionaries in foreign countries, where the physician and nurse accompany the preacher, applying all the needs of the people with whom they come in contact.

## BISHOPS CONSECRATED

BALTIMORE, MD., May 31.—Perhaps the most impressive moment of the current General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was this evening when Bishop W. W. Warren, of New York, pronounced the solemn words that made the kneeling ministers a bishop of the church. In the rooms reserved for the use of the bishops a procession was formed, and promptly at 4 o'clock it moved upon the stage. It was led by the bishops-elect—Rev. Drs. William T. Anderson, of New York; John L. Nielsen, of Iowa; Charles L. Smith, of Pittsburgh; Edwin H. Hughes, of Green Castle, Ind.; Robert McIntyre, of Los Angeles, Cal.; and Frank M. Bristol, of Washington, D. C.—each accompanied by his presenters. Following these came Bishops Warren and Goodsell and the other consecrating bishops, the first named, as senior bishop, presiding and acting as chief consecrator.

All present joined in the recitation of the creed. Bishops Goodsell, Moore and Warren offered prayer. The object was read by Bishop Walden, of Cincinnati; the Epistle by Bishop Malin, of Abundant, Mass.; and the gospel by Bishop Cranston, of Washington, D. C., these being interspersed with music. The candidates for ordination were examined by Bishop Warren, who pronounced them eligible, and was followed by the declarations and oaths of the candidates. Then, after another brief prayer, Bishop Warren pronounced the words of consecration over the Rev. Dr. Anderson and other bishops performing the same office for the other candidates.

Virginia Were Skeptical.

Continuing, Dr. Witherspoon referred to the dignity and value of the office of work. He emphasized the importance of the telegraph, which has revolutionized the world, and which cannot be dispensed with to-day. It would throw the newspapers back 100 years, he said, to be deprived of it; railroads could not operate without it; business would be paralyzed if it ceased to work. "Surely it is not in man that walketh," he added, "to direct his steps, for when it came to the vote in Congress to appropriate \$20,000 to assist Morse in his experiment, Virginia's representatives, believing as many other did, that the professor was visionary, and that the money would be wasted, put themselves on record by thirteen nays, five neutrals and three ayes—six to one—against one of the greatest civilizing agencies of the modern world."

## REGRET TO SEE PASTOR LEAVE

Congregation of Immanuel Church Much Affected by Final Sermon, Preached Yesterday.



REV. E. W. STONE.

The Rev. E. W. Stone, who recently accepted a call to the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth City, N. C., preached his last sermon yesterday morning at Immanuel Baptist Church, closing a successful pastorate of three and a half years.

The service, while not a farewell, was one of deep impressiveness. There was a large congregation, and it was apparent that all—pastor and people—felt keenly the pain of separation. The sermon was undoubtedly one of the best that Mr. Stone has preached in Richmond. His subject was: "The Pillar of Cloud and Fire," and the discourse was a tender and earnest appeal for the acceptance of Christ and implicit trust in His leadership. In all problems and perplexities, in the dark as well as the bright places of life's pathway.

Although he made no reference to leaving, it was apparent that Mr. Stone was deeply affected, as was the entire congregation. There were, indeed, few dry eyes in the church. Mr. Stone has a faithful, efficient, loving and sympathetic pastor, as well as an exceptionally strong preacher. The church has grown and developed in all branches of work under his leadership, and there is general regret at his leaving.

Mr. Stone and family will leave the latter part of the week for Elizabeth City, and he will assume charge there next Sunday.

## FIRST MESSAGE EXCITED WORLD

Morse Invention Greatest of the Century, Says Minister to Operators.

Discussing the world-wide usefulness of the telegraph, the Rev. Dr. E. W. Witherspoon, pastor of the Grace Street Presbyterian Church, referred in sermon last night to the handiwork of the inventor of the telegraph, and the appropriate message first flashed by Samuel F. B. Morse—"What Hath God Wrought?"

Dr. Witherspoon

was invited to address the operators of the city on the sixty-fourth anniversary of the wonderful discovery, and in doing so he brought out facts with which many of the craft were doubtless not familiar.

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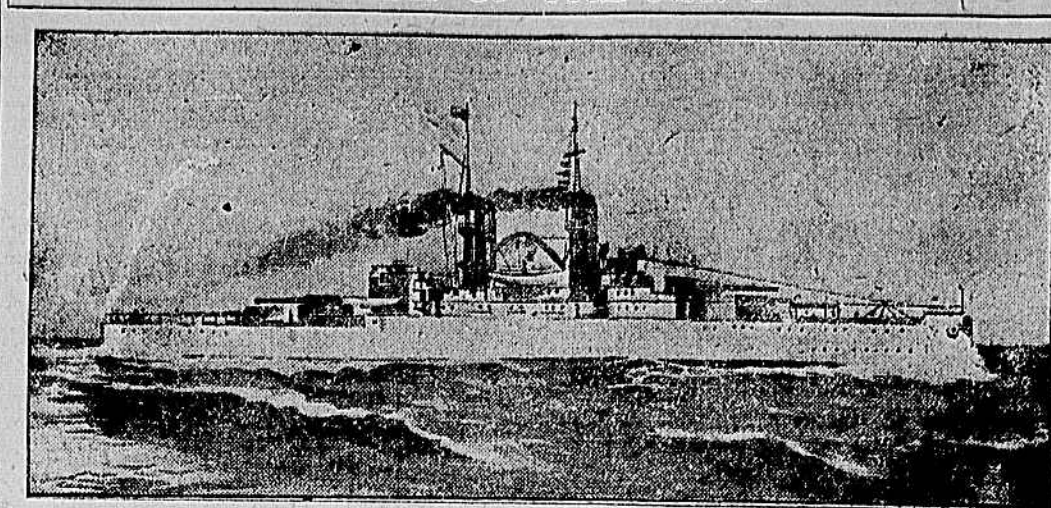
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## PRIDE OF THE NAVY



BATTLESHIP MICHIGAN.

The new vessel is known as an "all-big-gun" battleship. Its general dimensions are: Length on load water line, 450 feet; extreme breadth, 80 feet; draft, 24 feet 6 inches; total coal bunker capacity, 2,200 tons. The conning tower is a sustained speed of 18-20 knots an hour for four consecutive hours. Besides the eight 12-inch guns the main battery will include two submerged torpedo tubes, and the secondary battery will consist of twenty 3-inch rapid-fire guns; two 3-pound semi-automatic guns; eight 1-inch semi-automatic guns; two 3-inch field pieces; four machine guns of 0.30 calibre. The armor is 8 feet wide, having a thickness of 11 inches throughout the machinery spaces and 11 inches at the magazine spaces. For a height of 8 feet above the main belt there will be the case-plate armor, 5 inches thick at the top to 10 inches thick at the bottom.

## News Gathered From Southside.

In an anonymous letter received by Mayor H. A. Maurice on Saturday, information is given of what may be one of the most atrocious crimes ever committed in this city, if the statements contained in the communication may be credited. The letter, which is written in a fairly legible hand, with few mistakes in the spelling, states that a colored girl about seventeen years of age, living in the upper part of the city, murdered her child and afterward burned the body to conceal her crime.

The writer starts out by saying: "There is an awful crime going on in our midst." Whoever the writer is, informant is, she—she is the writer—appears to be that of a woman—falls to state how the information was obtained, but says: "My doctor can explain, conveying the idea that some on the letter states that the murder was committed about three days ago. The writer ends with an appeal to the police to investigate the matter. "Something should be done," she says; "she is too vile to live." There was no mark or sign on the letter, which is written on ordinary ruled writing paper, to indicate who the writer was.

Mayor Maurice turned the letter over to the police, who have since been working on the case. The girl whose name is given is known to the department, and is still in town, but the police have been making an effort to find some clue to the crime before they arrest her.

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**Attempts Suicide.**

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